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**APPLICATION FOR THE
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION**

2013

Please complete this section legibly.

Name of Applicant: Bradford Nathaniel nmn
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

Voter Registration Number (VUID): 1139163323

Residence Address (must be a fixed location in the City of Austin):

5507 Basswood Lane Austin TX 78723
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

Mailing Address (if different from Residence Address)

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Spouse's Name: Bradford Theola Runnels
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

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Please check YES or NO by each requirement. If you answer YES to question one (1), you may skip questions four (4) and five (5).

1. Are you a student enrolled in a community college or university in the City of Austin? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. Do you reside in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Are you registered to vote in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the City of Austin for the five years immediately preceding the date on which you submit this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. Please indicate whether you voted in the following City of Austin general elections (or corresponding runoff if applicable):

City of Austin General Elections	Candidate Response
May 12, 2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 14, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 9, 2009	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 10, 2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 13, 2006	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Personal Background Information

- Ethnicity: African-American
- Race: Black
- Gender: ☒ Male ☐ Female
- Age: (Please check your response)
☐ 18 to 24 ☐ 25 to 34 ☐ 35 to 44 ☐ 45 to 54 ☐ 55 to 64 ☒ 65+
- Education level: (Please check any that apply)
☒ High School Diploma or GED
☒ Some College (major _____)
☐ Associate's Degree (major _____)
☒ Bachelor's Degree (major mathematics)
☐ Post-Graduate Degree, indicate highest degree attained: (subject _____)

Qualifications

Please describe your relevant analytical skills.

I graduated from University of Texas at Austin, with a bachelor's degree in mathematics.
I worked for IBM for 25 years, as a business applications computer programmer.
I've been employed by the State of Texas (Texas Workforce Commission) for 16 years, as a systems analyst.
My jobs have required that I examine data in order to make probable results or outcomes, of implementing specific procedures. This analytical skill is a vital instrument in the decision making process. This assessment tool provides recorded evidence of how conclusions were determined.

Please describe your ability to be impartial.

I have no personal plan, nor do I expect to acquire any financial gain from decisions that are made by Austin's Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

I'm not a member of any group or organization, which to my knowledge, will benefit from any decisions that are made by Austin's Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

I'm not indebted or beholding to any person, group or organization that will benefit from decisions that are made by Austin's Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

My sole desire is that the Citizens' Redistricting Commission makes the fairest possible decision for all concerned persons.

Please describe your appreciation for the City of Austin's diverse demographics and geography.

I'm a native Austinite. I was reared at 2000 Concho Street (Blackland), which is now left-field for the University of Texas women's softball field. I attended Austin public schools: L. L. Campbell Elementary School, Kealing Jr. High School and graduated from L. C. Anderson High School, in 1960. The schools that I attended, in Austin were segregated, but my neighborhood wasn't. It was a puzzlement to me that during the school year, children of all ethnic groups would gather at Rising Star Baptist church to play, whichever sport was in season. But the next morning we'd pass one another on our way to school; the white kids going to John B. Winn and University Jr. High and the Black kids going to L. L. Campbell and Kealing Jr. High.

When Austin decided to end its segregated school system, in the late 1950's, there were no disturbances, which was not the case in other parts of the country. Even a segregated Austin, maybe because of its nickname the "Friendly City", demonstrated an atmosphere of civility, which is difficult to recognize today, years after "Jim Crow" laws have been removed. The city of Austin that I experienced, during those "separate but equal days" seemed to be fair-minded. This attitude of tolerance and compromise that was laid down by Arthur DeWitty, Emma Long, Cactus Pryor, Volma Overton, Harry Akins and others created a climate of acceptance and patience, which makes Austin weird. I'd like to keep it that way, no matter how big it gets.

Please provide any other information you wish to be considered during the selection of the most qualified applicants for the Commission.

I have devoted much of my time, over the years to civic and social activities.

- I served in the U. S. Army for 3 years and was honorably discharged on July 12, 1963
- One August 28, 1963, I participated in a sympathy march, with the march that was held in our Nation's Capital. The Austin march was organized by B. T. Bonner; it began at Doris Miller Auditorium and ended at Wooldridge Square.
- While a student at the University of Texas, I, along with lots of other students worked diligently to assist Wilhelmina Delco in her quest to become elected to the Austin ISD school board.
- I served as campaign manager for Tommie Wyatt, when he ran for the Precinct 1 County Commissioner's position, in the early 1970's.
- I'm currently chairman of the Boy Scout troop and Cub Scout pack, chartered by 19th Street Baptist Church.
- I've served as tutor and mentor in the Austin ISD for over of 22. I've been named Austin Partners in Education "Mentor of the Year" twice.
- I've served as an instructor (facilitator) with the African American Men and Boys Conference
- I'm a periodic guest panelist on the "Dad's Show", which is hosted by Kenneth Thompson
- I'm a member of the Black Austin Democrats and the NAACP
- Past President of Pecan Springs PTA
- Past Vice-president of St. John Regular Baptist Association Brotherhood
- Past Secretary of Austin Citywide Brotherhood Association
- Past President of the 19th Baptist Church Brotherhood

DISCLAIMER

By submitting this application, I understand that I am giving the City Auditor permission to release my information to the public. In particular, I affirmatively consent to the release of the contact email address I have provided.

If I am appointed, my address, contact phone number and contact email address will be included on the City of Austin's website.

I understand my application is public information under the Texas Public Information Act. The information will be kept according to the City Auditor's records retention policies.

I understand that my participation on the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission is voluntary.

I understand the duties and terms of service for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission as described above.

Under penalty of law, I swear or affirm that the preceding information in this application is in all things true and correct.


Signature of Applicant

If submitting electronically, please type your full name in the signature box.

Jan 28, 2013
Date

